IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA AT BLUEFIELD

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v. CRIMINAL NO. 1:18-00243

KIMBERLY ANN ADDAIR

MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER

Pending before the court is defendant's motion to continue the trial and all related deadlines for a period of approximately forty-five days. (ECF No. 21). In support of defendant's motion and the need for a continuance, counsel for Addair states that she needs additional time to review discovery provided by and to be provided by the government and engage in plea negotiations. The government does not oppose defendant's request for a continuance.

Because failure to grant the requested continuance would likely result in a miscarriage of justice, the court finds that the ends of justice outweigh the best interest of the defendant and the public in a speedy trial, see 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A), and GRANTS the defendant's motion to continue. In deciding to grant the motion to continue, the court considered the factors outlined in 18 U.S.C. §3161(h)(7)(B) and found that failure to grant a continuance would deny counsel the reasonable time necessary for effective preparation, taking into account the exercise of due diligence.

Accordingly, the court hereby ORDERS as follows:

Trial of this action is continued until February 26, 2019, at 9:30 a.m., in Bluefield. Jury instructions and proposed voir dire are to be filed by February 19, 2019;

 All pretrial motions are to be filed by January 21, 2019;

3. A pretrial motions hearing is scheduled for January 28, 2019, at 11:00 a.m., in Bluefield;

4. Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A), the time from the filing of the motion until the trial is excludable for purposes of the Speedy Trial Act.

The Clerk is directed to send a copy of this Memorandum

Opinion and Order to counsel of record, to the United States

Marshal for the Southern District of West Virginia, and to the

Probation Office of this court.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 11th day of December, 2018.

ENTER:

David A. Faber

Senior United States District Judge